State of California Regional Water Quality Control Board San Diego Region

EXECUTIVE OFFICER SUMMARY REPORT May 12, 2004

ITEM: 16

SUBJECT: Status Report: Clean Marina Program (*Pete Michael*)

PURPOSE: This is an information item related to recreational boating in five

harbors in the San Diego Region: Dana Point Harbor, Camp Pendleton Del Mar Boat Basin, Oceanside Harbor, Mission Bay,

and San Diego Bay.

PUBLIC NOTICE: None

DISCUSSION: Mr. Sandy Purdon and Mr. Tim Leathers of the Clean Marina

Team recently submitted a draft manual for marina and yacht club operators, Clean Marina Program--San Diego Region. The proposed Clean Marina Program—San Diego Region would consist of the following three components: a best management practices manual, an awards program based on points earned by marinas and yacht clubs, and an awards program for clean marinas. This document presents "... A partnership of marina owners and yacht club members from Dana Point to Chula Vista that have developed a Clean Marina Program to provide clean facilities to the boating community and protect San Diego Region's waterways from pollution. ... It is the objective of our partnership that all the marinas in the San Diego Region obtain 'Clean Marina' designation, proudly fly the 'Clean Marina' burgee and display the 'Clean Marina' Designation Certificate. ... The Best Management Practices are written in a clear and concise manner to assist the marina owners/operators and yacht clubs managers in being designated a 'Clean Marina'."

A previous organization, the Marina & Yacht Club NPDES Permit Response Team was formed in response to the draft NPDES permit for recreational boat marinas introduced at the June 2003 Regional Board meeting. Response Team participants included Mr. Purdon and Mr. Leathers. The Clean Marina Team, reformed from the Permit Response Team, will present at today's meeting a voluntary program containing recommendations similar to those of those of the 1994 Coastal Zone Act Reauthorization Amendments

(CZARA) report for Marinas and Recreational Boating. These recommendations were later included in the Non-Point Source Plan of the State Water Resources Control Board in 2000. The voluntary approach is similar to that of the California Coastal Commission in its Boating Clean and Green program in which marinas receive awards for implementing water quality best management practices.

LEGAL CONCERNS: There are no legal issues for the Board to consider.

SUPPORTING

DOCUMENTS: 1. Clean Marina Program—San Diego Region submitted by the

Clean Marina Team

RECOMMENDATION: Following the presentation of this item, the Executive Officer may

present a recommendation to the Board on this issue.